

85.—ANOTHER RECEIPT FOR COOKING CARP.

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In my family, carp have been eaten at all seasons of the year, but they are preferred during spring and fall. The spawning fish, either immediately before, during, or just after spawning time, are not fit to eat. We have cooked carp with and without the scales; but like them better with the scales, as a kind of jelly is then formed on the fish.

They have been cooked in several different ways, but the following is the one that we prefer:

BAKED CARP.—Bake in an oven with butter sauce; use spice, such as lemon and laurel leaf, according to taste. After the carp are finished and on the dish, a sauce of cream and eggs should be poured over them.

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86.—RECORD OF HYDROGRAPHIC SOUNDINGS AND DREDGING STATIONS OCCUPIED BY THE STEAMER ALBATROSS IN 1886.

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In the following tables the abbreviations for the characters of the bottom and the instrument used are from the following code:

Abbreviation.	Meaning.	Abbreviation.	Meaning.	Abbreviation.	Meaning.
C.....	Clay.	fine.....	fine.	stf.....	stiff.
Co.....	Coral.	lge.....	large.	bk.....	black.
St.....	Stones.	rky.....	rocky.	bu.....	blue.
G.....	Gravel.	rtn.....	rotten.	dk.....	dark.
S.....	Sand.	stk.....	sticky.	gy.....	gray.
For.....	Foraminifera.	br.....	brown.	rd.....	red.
Pter.....	Pteropods.	choc.....	chocolate color.	wh.....	white.
M.....	Mud.	gn.....	green.	L. B. T..	Large beam-trawl.
P.....	Pebbles.	lt.....	light.	S. B. T..	Small beam-trawl.
Oz.....	Ooze.	slat.....	slate color.	Bl. Dr..	Blake dredge (deep-sea dredge).
R.....	Rock.	yl.....	yellow.	Sh. Dr..	Ship's dredge (mud-bag).
Sh.....	Shells.	ors.....	coarse.	Tgls....	Tangles.
Glob.....	Globigerina.	hrd.....	hard.		
Sp.....	Specks.	sml.....	small.		
brk.....	broken.	sft.....	soft.		

For the record of hydrographic soundings preceding those herewith reported, reference should be made as follows: Nos. 46-557, pages 111-112, Fish Commission Report for 1884; Nos. 591-868, pages 74-77, Fish Commission Report for 1885.